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HERE THEY COME!
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GET READY!

BUT THIS MORNING, BEFORE BREAKFAST, I HELPED KILL A GALACTUS ON EARTH 2012.

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1 **A team – and a family – of adventurers, explorers, and imaginauts, the Fantastic Four lead lives both ordinary – and extraordinary. As of today:**

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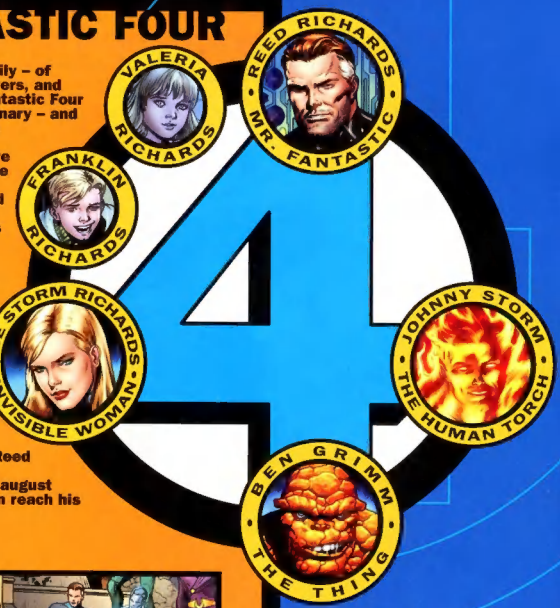
4 **Consequently, our Reed has been offered membership in this august group, where he can reach his full potential.**



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THE BAXTER BUILDING
GOOD MORNING.
MORNIN' DAD.
UFFF!
HERE YA GO, STRETCH--YOU LOOK LIKE YA NEED THIS MORE THAN I DO.
ARTIE AND LEECH ARE DEFINITELY COMING; SO ARE KATIE AND JACK POWER...
THANKS. WHAT'S GOING ON OVER..
BIRTHDAY PARTY.
AH!
IS THERE ANYONE ELSE YOU WANT TO INVITE?
DO YOU THINK DAD COULD GET SPIDER-MAN TO COME?
WELL, HE'LL PROBABLY BE BUSY, BUT I'M SURE THAT HE COULD ASK...
WHAT DO YOU WANT THAT GUY FOR?
IF YOU WANT A SUPER-COOL, SUPER HERO AT YOUR PARTY--SOMEONE THAT SAYS, "FRANKLIN RICHARDS: LIVIN' THE DREAM!"--THEN YOU'RE GONNA WANT THE HUMAN TORCH, KID.
I'M SURE I CAN SQUEEZE IT IN.
MOM, I'D *REALLY* RATHER HAVE SPIDER-MAN.
LISTEN, I'M GOING TO TELL YOU THIS BECAUSE NO ONE ELSE WILL, FRANKLIN.
SPIDER-MAN *SUCKS.*

YOU SUCK, SUCKFACE.
FRANKLIN!
APOLOGIZE.
OKAY, MOM. FINE.
SORRY, UNCLE SUCKFACE.
AND WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
I DON'T WANT THE KID EMBARRASSING HIMSELF.
UH-HUH. DO ME A FAVOR, YOU AND BEN GO PLAY WITH THE KIDS. OKAY?
I NEED TO TALK TO REED.
SURE.
OKAY, MIDGETS. MOVE IT.
YOU KNOW, STRETCHO-SCIENTIST-LEADERMAN, WHEN YOU DON'T KEEP THE WIFE HAPPY...IT'S THE WHOLE TEAM THAT SUFFERS.

SO...YOU'VE BEEN SPENDING A LOT OF TIME WITH YOURSELF.
YES.
YES, I HAVE.
REED, I KNOW YOUR WORK IS IMPORTANT AND I WOULD NEVER TELL YOU WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR TIME...
SURE YOU WOULD. IN FACT... I'M PRETTY SURE THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE GETTING READY TO DO.

I HATE IT WHEN YOU DO THAT.
YOU SPEND ALL DAY IN YOUR LAB AND THEN YOU ACT LIKE YOU KNOW EVERY THOUGHT THAT'S RUNNING THROUGH MY MIND.
SUSAN... WHEN I WAS 15, I SPLIT MY FIRST ATOM.
AND BY THE TIME I WAS 25, I HAD SPLICED A GENE AND CREATED NEW LIFE.
I HAVE BEEN TO THE STARS IN A ROCKET BUILT WITH MY OWN HANDS AND I HAVE SEEN THE DEATH AND BIRTH OF SUNS WITH MY VERY OWN EYES.
ALL OF THIS--MY OWN DOING.
I'M THE FOREMOST AUTHORITY IN COUNTLESS AREAS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND WHEN THE SMARTEST PEOPLE ON THIS PLANET NEED HELP, IT'S ME THEY CALL...
I WILL NOT APOLOGIZE FOR KNOWING THE THINGS I DO.
WHAT'S YOUR POINT?
I'M AN EXPERT IN MANY THINGS...
BUT IT'S YOU I'VE STUDIED THE MOST.
GIVE ME ONE MORE WEEK.

UNIVERSE 8901:
DAY ONE.
I COULD NEVER ACCEPT THE IDEA OF SOMEONE GOING HUNGRY.
SO I STARTED HERE. TERRA-FORMING A 25-SQUARE-MILE PATCH OF LAND ON A BARREN, UNINHABITABLE PLANET.
I CALLED IT THE FARM.
AND NOW THIS PLANET PROVIDES FOOD FOR THOSE THAT HAVE NONE...
THIS IS GOOD, REED.

AH. GOOD. A SHIPMENT IS GETTING READY TO GO THROUGH--YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS.
COOL.
LISTEN, THERE'S SOMETHING I'VE BEEN WANTING TO ASK...
OF COURSE, WHAT IS IT?
YOU'RE WEARING AN INFINITY GAUNTLET--A GLOVE THAT WILL LET ANY WISH BECOME REALITY...
WHY BOTHER WITH ALL THIS WHEN YOU COULD JUST SNAP YOUR FINGERS?
IT DOESN'T WORK THAT WAY.
THE GAUNTLET ONLY FUNCTIONS IN THE UNIVERSE IT COMES FROM...
AND WE'RE OPERATING IN A SLIGHTLY BIGGER ARENA THAN THAT.
BESIDES...
...THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH GETTING YOUR HANDS DIRTY, IS THERE?

UNIVERSE 45.
DAY THREE.
WHAM!
YOU'VE SEEN THE FARM?
YES.

EVERYTHING WE DO HAS A PURPOSE.
IT WAS NECESSARY FOR YOU TO SEE THAT BEFORE YOU SEE THIS-- THE GREATER GOOD ALWAYS MAKES THE NECESSARY EVIL MORE TOLERABLE.
WATCH. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT LESSON.
HOLD HIM.
HRRNN..DO YOUR WORST, RICHARDS.
DOOM WILL NEVER STOP.
I KNOW YOU THINK THAT, VICTOR...
YOU COULD HAVE BEEN SO MUCH MORE.
AAAARRGHHH!
WHAT DID YOU DO?!
DOOM?
THE COLLAR IS A PERMANENT CONTROL MECHANISM-- IT DESTROYS HIGHER BRAIN FUNCTIONS.
AND SO, JUST LIKE THAT, VICTOR VON DOOM IS GONE..AND ONLY THIS SHELL OF A THING REMAINS.
DOOM.

THE HOLE.
DEEP BENEATH THE MAIN COUNCIL CHAMBER.

THIS IS WRONG.
OF COURSE IT IS. BUT, LIKE I SAID, NECESSARY.
YOU DON'T KNOW IT YET, BUT YOU'LL LEARN THAT THERE IS NO GREATER THREAT IN THE UNIVERSE THAN DOOM--HIS APPETITE IS UNMATCHED.
HE WILL NEVER BREAK. HE WILL NEVER YIELD.
WHY SHOULD I BELIEVE YOU?
BECAUSE ON MY EARTH, A SMALL PORTION OF VICTOR'S DNA WAS SPLICED TOGETHER WITH MINE.
YOU SEE.. I KNOW HIM IN A WAY THAT NONE OF YOU EVER WILL. I FEEL THOSE SAME URGES...

UPPER DIMENSIONAL SPACE.
UNIVERSE 12498.
DAY FOUR.
THIS IS SLIGHTLY DISORIENTING.
DON'T WORRY, REED. THAT'S PERFECTLY NORMAL...
OPERATING IN HIGHER-LEVEL SPACE TAKES SOME GETTING USED TO.
IN THIS DIMENSION, SCALE AND WILL ARE PERFECTLY PROPORTIONAL. THIS IS HOW WE PREFORM SURGERY ON THE UNIVERSE.
NOW, HAVE A LOOK AROUND AND SEE WHAT YOU'RE DEALING WITH.

IT SEEMS TO BE A VARIABLE DENSITY STAR IN A STATE OF UNNATURAL RAPID DECAY.
UH-HUH, AND WHAT COULD CAUSE SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
MY BEST GUESS RIGHT NOW WOULD BE A SUPER-SYMMETRICAL NUC...
OH!
CAREFUL!
OH, I THINK I'VE GOT IT.
REMOVE IT SLOWLY.
WELL, WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT.
FRINGE DARK MATTER.
YES, THE REMNANTS OF THE BIG BANG...
LIKE A CRUEL PARENT, THE UNIVERSE REACHED OUT FROM THE PAST TO TRY AND TAKE BACK ONE OF HER CHILDREN.
YOU JUST SAVED 8 BILLION PEOPLE, REED...

THE BAXTER BUILDING.
DAY FIVE.
03:39
"I CAN ALWAYS TELL WHEN YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND, REED..."
03:40

THE COUNCIL
DAY SIX
SO...YOU'VE COME TO A DECISION?
I HAVE.
AND YOU'RE SURE?
I'VE WEIGHED ALL THE OPTIONS AND I THINK THAT I CAN DO THE MOST GOOD WITH THE COUNCIL. SO IF YOU'LL HAVE ME, I'D LIKE TO JOIN...
I BELIEVE I BELONG HERE.
THEN SOUND THE GREAT CYMBAL, LET THE WORD ECHO OUT...
OUR NUMBER HAS GROWN BY ONE. WE HAVE BEEN FOUND BY ANOTHER BROTHER.
WHAT SAY YOU, COUNCIL--IS THIS MAN...
BLARG! BLARG!
IMPOSSIBLE!

BROTHERS! BE WARY!
THE GATEWAY IS BREACHED!
THE COUNCIL IS COMPROMISED!
IT'S THE BRIDGE FROM UNIVERSE 4280.
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
I'M SORRY...SO SORRY.
THEY MADE ME.
WHO MADE YOU? SPEAK, MAN!
WHO MADE YOU?
THEY HAVE GROWN MAD-- THEY THINK THEY ARE GODS...
I THOUGHT I COULD STOP THEM ALONE...
I WAS WRONG. THEY TOOK ME-- TORE OPEN MY MIND...
I TOLD THEM ABOUT US.
AND NOW THEY HAVE COME-- AND FROM HERE THEY PLAN TO TAKE EVERYTHING.
WHO?
BAM
NOT GODS... BUT SOMETHING CLOSE ENOUGH.